

REMARKS

1. In response to the final Office Action mailed July 12, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration. Claims 58-65 and 67-76 were last presented for examination in this application. In the Office Action claims 58-65 and 67-76 were rejected. By the foregoing Amendments, claims 58, 68, 71 and 72 have been amended. No claims have been canceled or added. Thus, upon entry of this paper, claims 58-65 and 67-76 will be pending in this application. Of these 18 claims, two (2) claims (claims 58 and 68) are independent. Based on the above Amendments and following Remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the outstanding objections and rejections be reconsidered, and that they be withdrawn.

Art of Record

2. Applicant acknowledges receipt of form PTO-892 identifying additional references made of record by the Examiner.

Examiner's Interview

3. Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for kindly meeting with Applicant's representative earlier today at the United States Patent and Trademark Office. During the Interview, the Examiner and Applicant's representative discussed the outstanding rejection along with the Examiner's suggestion that appears on page 3 of the outstanding Office Action.

Claim Rejections

4. The Examiner has rejected independent claims 58 and 68 and dependent claims 59-65, 67, 69-72 and 74-76 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by "Using Quattro Pro6 for windows" ISBN 1-56529-761-X, copyright 1994 by Que corporation." (hereinafter, "Quattro"). The Examiner has also rejected dependent claim 73 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Quattro in view U.S. Patent No. 5,870,689 to Hale, *et al.* (hereinafter, "Hale").

5. In accordance with Examiner's suggestions, Applicant has amended independent claims 58 and 68 to recite "A method for use in an oscilloscope..." and "A method for graphically annotating measurement waveforms in an oscilloscope..." respectively. As the

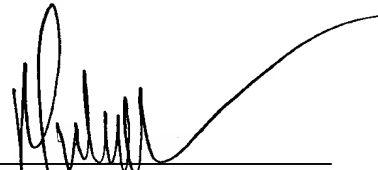
Examiner agreed during the Interview, the Quattro reference fails to teach the recited methods being performed or for use in an oscilloscope. As such, Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration and withdraw of the rejection to independent claims 58 and 68 and their timely allowance.

6. The dependent claims incorporate all of the subject matter of their respective independent claims and add additional subject matter which makes them a fortiori and independently patentable over the art of record. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the outstanding rejections of the dependent claims be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Conclusion

7. In view of the foregoing, this application should be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael G. Verga', written over a horizontal line.

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